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For: CAPACITATIVE BIOSENSOR ELEMENT AND  
METHOD FOR DETECTING HYBRIDIZATION  
EVENTS

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application. Prior to examination of the present application, please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Abstract** begin on page 2 of this Preliminary Amendment.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this Preliminary Amendment.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 4 of this Preliminary Amendment.